of the States in the country. The process of identification of districts where the Act is to be implemented has so far not been completed by the Planning Commission.

(c) Question does not arise.

Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

115. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B. J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Centre's biggest road project, the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) has hit a mega speed breaker in **a** number of States countrywide and the roads are ridden with potholes/ pitfalls;

(b) if so, what is plaguing the system;

(c) what is the position of outcome budget of this project; and

(d) what is the status of Orissa and what is the action plan of the Government to help the State to overcome the impediments/obstacles coming in the way of speedy implementation of the project in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (d) The target and achievement of first two Quarters of 2005-06 of outcome budaet are:

Quarter	Habitations/Road Length	Target	Achievement
1st Quarter	Habitations (in number)	2220	2461
	Road Length (in Km)	4995	6927
2nd Quarter	Habitations (in number)	1481	1567
	Road Length (in Km)	3200	3697

Status in respect of PMGSY in Orissa is as under-

	Total up to Phase IV
No. of Road works approved	2140
No. of Road works completed	1402

	Total up to Phase IV
% no. of Road works completed	66%
Length of Road works approved (in Km)	6417.92
Length of Road works completed (in Km)	3884.00
% length of Road works completed	61%

Orissa has been identified as one of the States to be assisted by the Asian Development Bank for PMGSY under Rural Road Sector II Project (RRSIIP). Under 'Bharat Nirman', it is proposed to construct 9993 kms of new roads connecting 4447 habitations and upgradation of 14161 kms by 2008-09.

The road works for Phase-V for a length of 1907.65 km and 1189.17 kms under ADB funded projects under RRSIIP have been cleared by the Ministry during this year and these works are likely to be awarded shortly.

The State is required to enhance its capacity to undertake such volume of work within the stipulated time frame.

Implementation of NREGA

116. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRI RAASHID ALVI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether with most of the States seeking more time to implement the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA);

(b) if so,the States which have sought more time and what are the main reasons for the same;

(c) whether the Prime Minister has written to all the CMs asking them to speedily put in place a mechanism for implementation of the scheme and ensure transparency; and

(d) to what extent Union Government has agreed to provide help and assistance to these States to implement the scheme immediately?